

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. When strikethrough cannot easily be perceived, or when five or fewer characters are deleted, [[double brackets]] are used to show the deletion. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 2, 8, and 11 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine having a deposit operation panel located at one side of the machine and, inside the machine, a first cash storage unit and an external communications unit to notify a cash logistics company of deposit data through a public line, the machine comprising:

a cashing operation panel located at another side of the machine different from the side at which the deposit operation panel is located;~~and~~

a cashing controller, a second cash storage unit storing a predetermined amount of cash for a cashing service, a cash temporary holder removing and temporarily holding a cashed amount from the second cash storage unit, and a cashing processor dispensing cash from the cash temporary holder and issuing a receipt, the cashing controller, the second cash storage unit, the cash temporary holder, and the cashing processor being located inside the machine;

a cash conveyor conveying cash to and from the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit, the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit being separated from the cash conveyor; and

a bill cassette and a coin cassette, belonging to the first cash storage unit, that are respectively locked inside the machine and remain locked when the cash logistics company retrieves same from the machine,

wherein the external communications unit communicates with a financial institution, and

wherein the cashing controller performs processing to verify a person performing the cashing operation, determine whether to authorize cashing by confirming a balance in a savings account of the person, dispense cash to be reimbursed from the savings account when

authorizing cashing, and provide cashing data to the financial institution and to the cash logistics company.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a cash apportioner located before the first cash storage unit to apportion deposited cash between the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit, a part of the deposited cash being used to resupply the cash in the second cash storage unit.

3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 2, wherein the external communications unit notifies the cash logistics company of the deposit data and an amount of cash apportioned by the cash apportioner to the second cash storage unit for use by the cash logistics company to maintain consistency between an amount of sales proceeds deposited and an amount of cash retrieved by the cash logistics company.

4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 2, wherein the cash apportioner changes a ratio of apportionment of the deposited cash with a balance of cash for the cashing service in the second cash storage unit being the predetermined amount.

5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 4, wherein the external communications unit notifies the cash logistics company of the deposit data and an amount of cash apportioned by the cash apportioner to the second cash storage unit for use by the cash logistics company to maintain consistency between an amount of sales proceeds deposited and an amount of cash retrieved by the cash logistics company.

6. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 1, wherein the cashing operation panel is located at a side opposite the side at which the deposit operation panel is located.

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 6, wherein the deposit operation panel and the cashing operation panel of the machine are separated by a wall, the deposit operation panel is accessible only to a manager or

employee of the store, and the cashing operation panel is accessible to a store customer or the general public.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine having a deposit operation panel located at one side of the machine and, inside the machine, a first cash storage unit storing deposited cash and an external communications unit to notify a cash logistics company of deposit data through a public line, the machine comprising:

a cashing operation panel having at least an ID card insertion slot, a cash dispensing slot, and a receipt issuing slot, and being located at another side of the machine different from the side at which the deposit operation panel is located;~~and~~

a cashing controller, a cash temporary holder to remove, count, and temporarily hold an amount of cash input from the cashing operation panel and from the first cash storage unit, a second cash storage unit storing a predetermined amount of cash for a cashing service, and a cashing processor dispensing cash from the cash temporary holder to the cash dispensing slot and issuing a cashing receipt;

a cash conveyor conveying cash to and from the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit, the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit being separated from the cash conveyor; and

a bill cassette and a coin cassette, belonging to the first cash storage unit, that are respectively locked inside the machine and remain locked when the cash logistics company retrieves same from the machine,

wherein the external communications unit communicates with a financial institution, and

wherein the cashing controller performs processing to verify an ID card input from the cashing operation panel, determine whether to authorize cashing by confirming a balance in a savings account of a person withdrawing cash, dispense cash to be reimbursed from the savings account when authorizing cashing, and provide cashing data to the financial institution and to the cash logistics company.

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 8, wherein the cashing operation panel is located at a side opposite the side at which the deposit operation panel is located.

10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 9, wherein the deposit operation panel and the cashing operation panel of the machine are separated by a wall, the deposit operation panel is accessible only to a manager or employee of the store, and the cashing operation panel is accessible to a store customer or the general public.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A cash depositing and withdrawal machine, comprising:
a deposit operation panel used to enter data to deposit cash;
a cashing operation panel used to enter data to withdraw cash;
a first cash storage unit storing deposited cash and a second cash storage unit storing cash to be withdrawn;
an apportioning unit allocating the deposited cash between the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit to maintain a predetermined amount of cash in the second cash storage unit; ~~and~~
a communications unit sending deposit data and withdrawal data to a cash logistics company;
a cash conveyor conveying cash to and from the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit, the first cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit being separated from the cash conveyor; and
a bill cassette and a coin cassette, belonging to the first cash storage unit, that are respectively locked inside the machine and remain locked when the cash logistics company retrieves same from the machine.